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## **OPGS** News

**OPGS Seeks 2009-2010 Strengthening Partners Initiative Participants.** *OPGS* is seeking up to 30 nonprofit and/or faith-based organizations to participate in its year-long capacity building program, the Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI). This 12-month intensive training program will help you and your organization acquire skills and resources to respond to complex obstacles and opportunities encountered by nonprofit organizations. Topics and activities addressed in the program include: implementing successful fundraising plans; improving administrative and program operations; and collaborating with like-minded nonprofit organizations. The application deadline is August 28, 2009. To learn more and to download the application visit our website, www.opgs.dc.gov and click on the link to *Strengthening Partners Initiative*.

**Summer GIRC Hours.** *The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC)* provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its "customers" - District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC will be open Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. Thursdays are reserved for previous GIRC users. To make an appointment call 202-727-8900.

# **Federal Opportunities**

Please note — if the link for a Federal Grant opportunity does not work, go to <a href="www.grants.gov">www.grants.gov</a> and enter the CFDA # (found in our Grants Database <a href="http://app.opgs.dc.gov/grantautomation/grantfinder.asp">http://app.opgs.dc.gov/grantautomation/grantfinder.asp</a> by inputting the "Grant ID" number provided below).

Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Education and Outreach Initiative (EOI). Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announces funds to assist organizations that inform the general public about their rights and obligations under the Fair Housing Act and substantially equivalent State and local fair housing laws. Applicants may also address the fair housing needs of persons with disabilities, the education of consumers about fair housing, financial literacy, credit management, and how to avoid high cost loans and abusive lending practices that violate the Fair Housing Act.

**<u>Eligibility:</u>** Nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and DC government agencies.

**Deadline:** September 18, 2009. **Funds:** \$3,100,000 is available.

Information: Myron P. Newry at (202) 402-7095 or go to: http://www.grants.gov search by CFDA# 14.416.

GrantID: GD3507

**Fair Housing Initiatives Program - Fair Housing Organizations Initiative (FHOI)**. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) announces funds to provide funding to organizations engaged in fair housing activities, and also to groups that build their capacity, establish new fair housing enforcement organizations and/or provide fair lending enforcement in underserved areas.

**<u>Eligibility:</u>** Nonprofit organizations.

<u>Deadline:</u> September 18, 2009. **Funds:** \$21,100,000 is available.

<u>Information:</u> Denise L. Brooks at (202) 402-7050 or go to: <a href="http://www.grants.gov">http://www.grants.gov</a> enter CFDA# 14.417. Single Point of Contact: This grant is subject to "Intergovernmental Review" under EO 12372. Please go to

http://opgs.dc.gov/, select "State Single Point of Contact" to comply.

GrantID: GD3508

**Archives - Basic Projects**. The National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC), a part of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), announces funds to support projects that promote the preservation and use of America's documentary heritage essential to understanding our democracy, history, and



culture. Activities included under Basic Projects may be any one or combination of the following: Basic Processing, Preservation Planning, Collections Development, and Establishing Archives.

**Eligibility:** City or township governments, county governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and DC government agencies.

Deadline: October 6, 2009.

<u>Funds:</u> \$1,750,000 is available to fund 23 awards up to \$200,000. A match is required. <u>Information:</u> Daniel Stokes at (202) 357-5487 or <u>daniel.stokes@nara.gov</u> or go to:

http://www.archives.gov/nhprc/announcement/detailed.html.

**GrantID:** GD3514

**Digital Humanities Start-Up Grants**. *National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)* announces funds to encourage innovations in the digital humanities. Proposals should be for the planning or initial stages of digital initiatives in any area of the humanities.

**<u>Eligibility:</u>** City or township governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations and DC government agencies.

Deadline: October 6, 2009.

**Fund:** Awards range from \$5,000-\$50,000.

<u>Information:</u> Office of Digital Humanities at <u>odh@neh.gov</u> or go to: <u>http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/digitalhumanitiesstartup.html</u>.

GrantID: GD3513

**Hazardous Materials Worker Health and Safety Training (U45)**. *Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)* announces funds to support the development of model programs for the training and education of workers engaged in activities related to hazardous materials and waste generation, removal, containment, transportation and emergency response.

<u>Eligibility:</u> Public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education.

**Deadline:** November 23, 2009.

Pre- application meeting: At NIEHS on Wednesday, September 2, 2009 from 1-5 PM on the NIEHS Main Campus, Rall Building, Rodbell Conference Room B at 111 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park, NC 27709. NIEHS staff will use this "Applicant Information Meeting" (AIM) to explain the purpose of the Program, provide instructions about the application process, and answer questions. A summary of responses from the briefing, all relevant information for potential applicants and Supplementary Instructions will be available upon request from NIEHS (wetp@niehs.nih.gov) and will be posted on the NIEHS Worker Education and Training Program (WETP) home page at: http://www.niehs.nih.gov/careers/hazmat.

Funds: \$26,000,000 is available to fund 20 awards.

<u>Information:</u> Carolyn Mason at (919) 541-1373 or <a href="mason6@niehs.nih.gov">mason6@niehs.nih.gov</a> or go to:

http://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-ES-09-004.html.

GrantID: GD3510

**Healthy Homes Technical Studies**. *Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)* announces funds to support technical studies to improve existing methods for detecting and controlling housing-related health and safety hazards, to develop new methods to detect and control these hazards, and to improve our knowledge of housing-related health and safety hazards.

**Eligibility:** City or township governments, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and for-profit organizations other than small businesses.

Deadline: August 18, 2009.

Funds: \$4,000,000 is available to fund 6-10 awards, ranging from \$250,000-\$800,000.



**Information:** Curtissa L. Coleman at (202) 402-7580 or Curtissa L. Coleman@hud.gov or go to:

http://www.hud.gov/offices/lead/09NOFA/HHtechstudies.cfm.

GrantID: GD3512

# **District Opportunities**

**2009** Make A Difference Day Grant. Serve DC announces funds to support community service projects organized for 2009 Make A Difference Day, October 24, 2009. Known as the "national day to help others, " Make A Difference Day is a national effort designed to mobilize citizens in communities across the country in volunteer service. This year, Serve DC will focus its attention on this day to engage persons of all backgrounds regardless of disability, race, national origin, or religion. On this day, DC residents will "do good" and engage hundreds of volunteers.

<u>Eligibility:</u> City or township governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, nonprofit organizations, faith-based organizations, private institutions of higher education, community-based organizations and DC government agencies.

**Deadline:** September 8, 2009.

<u>Pre-application technical assistance session:</u> All interested applicants must register and attend one technical assistance session in order to apply for funds. The schedule for information sessions is as follows: One Judiciary Square, 441 4th St, NW, Suite 1140N, Wednesday, August 12, 2009, Monday, August 17, 2009, and Thursday, August 27, 2009 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. To RSVP for a training session, please contact Isabel I. Spake, AmeriCorps VISTA, Disability Inclusion Initiative at (202) 727-7928 or isabel.spake@dc.gov.

**Funds:** 3 awards are available to fund awards up to \$3,700.

**Information:** Isabel I. Spake at (202) 727-7928 or isabel.spake@dc.gov.; or go to: www.serve.dc.gov.

GrantID: GD3506

**Refugee Resettlement Grant**. *Department of Human Services (DHS)* announces funds to organizations to provide employment, social and support services to facilitate the refugees' assimilation into the mainstream of American society and to assist them in achieving economic self-sufficiency as quickly as possible.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** September 4, 2009.

Pre-Application Meeting: August 13, 2009, from 10 a.m. - 11 a.m. at 2146 24<sup>th</sup> Place, N.E. Washington, D.C.

20018, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor conference room.

**Information:** Debra Crawford at (202) 541-3949 or debra.crawford@dc.gov or go to:

http://www.opgs.dc.gov/opgd/cwp/view,a,1316,q,609787.asp.

GrantID: GD3515

**Electronic Grants Clearinghouse.** *The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgs.dc.gov/">http://opgs.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
Department of Health	Chronic Disease Prevention, Wellness & Support Services	August 6, 2009
Department of Health	2009 HIV Counseling, Testing, Referral and Navigator Services Grant	August 10, 2009
Department of Health	Effi Barry HIV/AIDS Program: Supporting District organizations to increase capacity to provide HIV-related prevention, care and support services	August 10, 2009



Department of Health	FY2010 Food Services Grant	August 10, 2009
Department of Human Services	Promoting Responsible Fatherhood Community Access	August 28, 2009
District Department of the Environment	District Department of the Environment Notice of Funding Availability	September 4, 2009
DC Commission on Arts and Humanities (DCARTS)	All DCARTS Grant Opportunities – visit http://dcarts.dc.gov to learn more	Dates vary.

## **Foundations**

**Health Career Opportunities Grant**. *Greater Washington Workforce Development Collaborative* announces funds to support programs that focus on: helping low-income adults achieve family economic self-sufficiency through careers in health; addressing the skill needs of health employers; and improving the overall quality of healthcare.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations, private institutions of higher education and community-based organizations.

Deadline: September 1, 2009.

<u>Informational Call:</u> An informational call for applicants will be conducted on August 13, 2009 at 2:00 pm. To participate in the call, please email soldmixon@cfncr.org to request the call-in information.

Funds: 2-4 awards are available to fund grants up to \$50,000. A match is required.

**Information:** Sarah Oldmixon at (202) 973-2519 or soldmixon@cfncr.org; or go to:

http://www.cfncr.org/atf/cf/%7b8C61F1DB-3FE6-435F-9B32-

2D0D51A3C2EF%7d/FY10%20Health%20Career%20GWWDC%20RFP.pdf.

**GrantID:** GD3504

**Johnson and Johnson Grants**. *Society for the Arts in Healthcare* announces funds to support programs that engage community healthcare workers, caregivers, families and artists in the practice of arts in healthcare.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations. (Applicant must be a current member of Society for the Arts in Healthcare).

Deadline: October 15, 2009.

**Funds:** Awards are available up to \$60,000.

**Information:** Society for the Arts in Healthcare at (202) 299-9770; or go to:

http://thesah.org/template/page.cfm?page\_id=15.

GrantID: GD3505

**The Partnership for Equity**. The Community Foundation for the National Capital Region(CFNCR) announces funds to support programs intended to further the work of local nonprofits working to create racially equitable change by simultaneously supporting senior-level leaders and the nonprofit they lead through general operating support for the organization, paired with intensive technical assistance and peer-to-peer networking for the individual leader.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: September 9, 2009.

<u>Pre-application community briefing:</u> Interested applicants are invited to attend a community briefing to obtain indepth information and guidance on responses to the 2009 request for proposals. Thursday, August 6th, 2009, 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm, CFNCR, 1201 15th Street, NW Suite 420, Washington, DC 20005.

Funds: \$200,000 is available to fund awards ranging from \$5,000-\$20,000.

**Information:** Ben Murphy at (202) 263-4768 or bmurphy@cfncr.org; or go to:

http://www.cfncr.org/atf/cf/%7b8C61F1DB-3FE6-435F-9B32-2D0D51A3C2EF%7d/FY10%20PFE%20RFP.pdf.

GrantID: GD3503



Tom's of Maine Nonprofit Grants. Natural Care Tom's of Maine announces funds to support community events,

project or program support.

**Eligibility:** Nonprofit organizations.

**Deadline:** August 30, 2009.

**Funds:** 5 awards area available ranging up to \$20,000.

**Information:** Tom's of Maine at (207) 987-2944; or go to: http://www.tomsofmaine.com/community-

involvement/project-sponsorship-terms.aspx.

GrantID: GD3502

#### **Announcements and Resources**

Georgetown University's Center for Social Impact Communication (CSIC). The 2009-2010 Cause Consulting Nonprofit Communications Course is accepting applications from area nonprofits to receive eight months of strategic communications consulting from its Public Relations/Corporate Communications masters degree students. The applied course teaches graduate students how to build the capacity of nonprofit organizations through strategic communications. If selected, a team of graduate students would develop and implement a strategic communications plan for your organization over the course of eight months. Applications may be emailed to: <a href="mailto:causeconsulting@gmail.com">causeconsulting@gmail.com</a>; the deadline is August 10, 2009. For more information go to: <a href="http://www12.georgetown.edu/scs/csic/news/index.html">http://www12.georgetown.edu/scs/csic/news/index.html</a>.

Competition: Rethinking Mental Health: Improving Community Wellbeing. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) announces an online, open source competition co-sponsored by RWJF's Vulnerable Populations Portfolio and Changemakers, that challenges organizations to explore innovations that allow individuals, families, communities and society to move past narrow perceptions of mental health and expand our understanding and collective involvement in finding solutions. The deadline for applications is October 14, 2009. For more information and to download the application go to <a href="http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20881">http://www.rwjf.org/applications/solicited/cfp.jsp?ID=20881</a>.

**Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009.** *Grants.gov* is a central storehouse for information on over 1,000 grant programs, which provides access to approximately \$500 billion in annual awards. The website released "Succeed Newsletter Summer 2009" which provides information about Grant.gov website quarterly and is also a guide to the latest updates, handy tips and useful articles on how to best use Grants.gov. To view the "Success" newsletter go to: <a href="http://www.grants.gov//assets/grantsummernewsletter09.pdf">http://www.grants.gov//assets/grantsummernewsletter09.pdf</a>.

### **Previous Announcements and Resources**

Breakthroughs in Shared Measurement and Social Impact. William and Flora Hewlett Foundation released an online report based on interviews conducted with dozens of practitioners and thought leaders in the social sector. The report describes twenty different shared measurement systems already in use and documents their contribution to increasing grantees' efficiency, knowledge, and impact. The findings identify shared approaches to performance, outcome, or impact measurement across multiple organizations. The report includes four in-depth case studies where collaborative learning and measurement systems are used to create systemic and adaptive approaches to solving social problems. To access the online report go to: <a href="http://www.fsg-impact.org/ideas/item/breakthroughs">http://www.fsg-impact.org/ideas/item/breakthroughs</a> in measurement.html.

**Evaluation Toolkit.** *James Irvine Foundation* has created a set of evaluation tools for funders in an effort to help foundations develop better evaluation strategies. The *Evaluation Kit for Trustees* which is available online contains a summary of trustees' thoughts on evaluation, as well as case studies that show how evaluation has been used successfully. This toolkit will help trustees gain a better understanding of the purposes, methods and costs of evaluation. To access the online evaluation tool go to: <a href="http://www.irvine.org/publications/new-publications">http://www.irvine.org/publications/new-publications</a>.



**Free Governance Guide.** *Philanthropy Journal* delivers news, information, resources and opinion about charitable giving, fundraising, management, leadership, marketing and communications, focusing in particular on organizational effectiveness, donor engagement and collaboration. They offer a free online guide created by Independent Sector and BoardSource which aims at helping nonprofits and foundations improve their governance practices. The free online workbook is based on the *Principles for Good Governance and Ethical Practice*, a set of 33 recommendations developed in 2007 by the Panel on the Nonprofit Sector. To learn more and to download the guidebook, go to: <a href="http://www.independentsector.org/issues/accountability/workbook.html">http://www.independentsector.org/issues/accountability/workbook.html</a>.

**Sabbatical Grant for Pastoral Leaders.** *The Louisville Institute*, a center to support research and leadership education on American religion, announces funds to award up to forty grants for eight-week (\$10,000) and twelve-week (\$15,000) sabbaticals. Eligible applicants include but are not limited to Christian clergy, church staff members, denominational staff, and others employed in recognized positions of pastoral leadership, ordained and lay. The application deadline is September 1, 2009. For more information go to <a href="http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgpldetail.aspx">http://www.louisville-institute.org/Grants/programs/sgpldetail.aspx</a>.

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